

## Cape Romain Lighthouse Tour

### November 11, 2012

Cape Romain National Wildlife Refuge celebrates our coastal heritage with a historic tour to Lighthouse Island! On **Sunday, November 11, 2012** Cape Romain NWR in conjunction with Coastal Expeditions offers the guided tour to view the two 1800's lights. A presentation on the history of the lights begins at 12:30 pm at the Sewee Visitor and Environmental Education Center, 5821 Highway 17 in Awendaw, SC. Following the presentation, participants travel to the McClellanville boat landing and board the Coastal Expeditions Island Cat Ferry. The ferry will leave Lighthouse Island at approximately 4:00 pm to return to the mainland.

Built in 1827, the conical lighthouse stands at 65 feet. In 1857, a 150-foot octagonal lighthouse was built. The 1857 light was taken out of service in 1947 when coastal navigation techniques made it obsolete. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, both lights are significant maritime landmarks. The 1827 lighthouse is one of the oldest of its kind still standing in the United States.

**Note:** Lighthouse Island is located in a National Wilderness Area and there are no facilities or dock on the island. You will wade ashore and walk a dirt path to the lighthouses. Wear appropriate footwear for water and pluff mud! Bring insect repellent, water and snacks and dress for the weather. The transportation fee is \$45.00 per person. Boat space is limited. **Reservations are required!** Reservation is by credit card only. Cash, check or charge payable to Coastal Expeditions will be accepted on the boat. **Contact the Sewee Center at 843.928.3368 between 9 am and 5 pm, Tuesday - Saturday.**

